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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a end user that supports broadband competition and I use a small home provider for both internet and phone service. USTelecom has petitioned the FCC to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act, one of those being required competitive access. USTelecom claims that residential phone and internet access wouldn't be affected if competitive access was taken away. This is completely false. In case, my current phone/ISP uses unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements to provide my services. Getting rid of competitive access would eliminate my services with my small provider, and I have no interest in getting service through at&t or comcast. If competitive access were taken away, I fully expect prices to skyrocket as the big ISPs would eliminate the remaining competition in the market, and that can't happen. It's already bad enough there are almost no choices outside the big ISPs. Enough if enough. The FCC should be fostering competition with access to MORE ISPs, not less.

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